

COUNCIL MINUTES
TIGARD CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 25, 2003

Mayor Griffith called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Council Present: Mayor Griffith, Councilors Dirksen, Moore, Sherwood, and Wilson

- STUDY SESSION

- > TUALATIN VALLEY TELEVISION INTRODUCTION

Tualatin Valley Television (TVTV) Executive Director Marci Hosier presented information (additional written materials submitted to the Council) about the services and programming provided by TVTV.

- > DISCUSSION ON FLUORIDATION IN DRINKING WATER

Public Works Director Wegner advised the Council that the City of Portland has taken "off the table" discussions about formation of a regional drinking water supply agency for the immediate future. Portland will commence negotiations for new contracts with its wholesale drinking water customers.

The Joint Water Commission remains a viable option for the Tigard water service area. Assistant Public Works Director Koellermeier explained that the City currently has an agreement with the City of Beaverton to receive 4 million gallons a day of drinking water from the Joint Water Commission. The City of Beaverton will begin fluoridating its drinking water supply by January 2004. Issues for Tigard's review include:

- fluoridated water may be coming to Tigard from Beaverton
 - Tigard's willingness to accept fluoridated water

Staff suggested, and Council concurred, that the Intergovernmental Water Board would be the best entity to monitor this issue and develop a recommendation on options for the City Council to review. Staff will keep Council apprised as developments unfold.

There was some discussion about an advisory vote to ask service-area voters if they would want additional fluoride added as the water from Beaverton will blend with the water from Portland, which is not fluoridated.

- > **BRIEFING ON QWEST/VERIZON FRANCHISE FEE AUDIT**
(See item #7 during the business meeting for materials)

Finance Director Prosser noted this matter was also scheduled for discussion during the meeting (Agenda Item No. 7). He noted receipt of communication from Qwest advising they would not be able to participate in an audit until 2006. Qwest represents a small percentage of the telecommunication service for Tigard residents. The audit for Verizon is proceeding in a cooperative manner.

- > **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

- Senator Burdick and Representative Williams will attend the April 8 City Council meeting; they will not attend tonight's meeting or the April 22 meeting as previously scheduled.
- City Manager Monahan described the proposal for an Assistant Chief position in the City of Tigard. Council supported the proposal.
- Council members were given preliminary information about Police Community Meetings, which is also an agenda item for the business meeting (No. 5). Council members each committed to attending a meeting as follows:
 - April 24 – Councilor Dirksen
 - May 1 – Mayor Griffith
 - May 8 – Councilor Wilson
 - May 15 – Councilor Moore
 - TBA – Business Community meeting --
Councilor Sherwood
- City Manager reminded Council of the benefit concert to be performed by Michael Allen Harrison on April 4 at the Tigard High School.

- **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Not held

1. BUSINESS MEETING

- 1.1 Mayor Griffith called the City Council & Local Contract Review Board meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.
- 1.2 Roll Call: Mayor Griffith and Councilors Dirksen, Moore, Sherwood, and Wilson
- 1.3 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.4 Council Communications & Liaison Reports: Councilor Wilson advised he would have a liaison report (See Agenda Item No. 10).
- 1.5 Call to Council and Staff for Non-Agenda Items: None

2. PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Griffith proclaimed April 21 to 27 as National Community Development Week

3. VISITOR'S AGENDA

No visitors.

4. CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Councilor Moore, seconded by Councilor Sherwood to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

4.1 Approve Intergovernmental Agreement with Washington County Regarding the West Nile Virus Response Plan

The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of Council:

Mayor Griffith	-	Yes
Councilor Dirksen	-	Yes
Councilor Moore	-	Yes
Councilor Sherwood	-	Yes
Councilor Wilson	-	Yes

5. DISCUSSION CONCERNING COMMUNITY OUTREACH MEETINGS

Chief Dickinson advised he is establishing a strategic plan for providing police services. To accomplish this, available data pertaining to police activity will be assembled and analyzed. The second component is to find out what the people in Tigard want. To hear from Tigard residents and business owners, the Chief is coordinating several Community Outreach Meetings. City representatives will be available beginning at 6:30 p.m.; the meetings will start at 7 p.m. and conclude by 8 p.m. on the following dates and locations:

April 24 – Templeton School
May 1 – CF Tigard School
May 8 – Mary Woodward School
May 15 – Metzger School

Tigard City Council representatives from city departments and staff from Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue will be on hand to answer questions. The purpose of the

meeting is to get citizen input on service the City provides. The goal is to improve the services and better meet the needs of Tigard's citizens.

6. DISCUSSION WITH STATE SENATOR GINNY BURDICK AND STATE REPRESENTATIVE MAX WILLIAMS

Cancelled. Legislators will meet with Council on April 8.

7. UPDATE ON THE QWEST/VERIZON FRANCHISE FEE AUDIT

Finance Director Prosser advised that more than 69 Oregon cities have joined together to conduct an audit of franchise fees paid by Qwest and Verizon for use of the public's rights of way to deliver their services. Qwest has indicated they would not be available for such an audit until 2006. The Verizon audit is proceeding in a cooperative manner.

8. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION GRANTING A PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR THREE NON-PROFIT, LOW-INCOME HOUSING PROJECTS

Finance Director Prosser reviewed this agenda item and resolution, which would grant a property tax exemption for 2003 for three low-income housing projects owned and operated by the Community Partners for Affordable Housing.

Motion by Councilor Sherwood, seconded by Councilor Dirksen, to adopt Resolution No. 03-10.

RESOLUTION NO. 03-10 – A RESOLUTION GRANTING AN EXEMPTION FROM PROPERTY TAXES UNDER TIGARD MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 3.50 FOR THREE NON-PROFIT LOW INCOME HOUSING PROJECTS OWNED AND OPERATED BY COMMUNITY PARTNERS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of Council:

Mayor Griffith	-	Yes
Councilor Dirksen	-	Yes
Councilor Moore	-	Yes
Councilor Sherwood	-	Yes
Councilor Wilson	-	Yes

9. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND ENDORSING THE COMMUTER RAIL STATION DESIGN RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE DOWNTOWN TASK FORCE

Long-Range Planning Manager Barbara Shields introduced this agenda item. Project Manager Beth St. Amand gave a brief overview of the work done by the Task Force. Task Force Chairman Mike Marr reviewed the recommended station design elements for the commuter rail station to be located downtown. (Highlights of the presentation are on file in the City Recorder's office) Also present was Tri Met representative Joe Walsh. Mr. Walsh agreed that much of the work done by the Task Force might be used for the Washington Square Station as well as other stations along the rail line.

Motion by Councilor Wilson, seconded by Councilor Sherwood, to adopt Resolution No. 03-11.

RESOLUTION NO. 03-11- A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND ENDORSING THE DOWNTOWN TASK FORCE'S DESIGN RECOMMENDATIONS DOCUMENT FOR THE COMMTER RAIL STATION.

The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of Council:

Mayor Griffith	-	Yes
Councilor Dirksen	-	Yes
Councilor Moore	-	Yes
Councilor Sherwood	-	Yes
Councilor Wilson	-	Yes

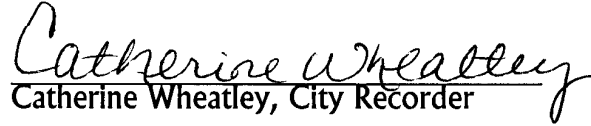
10. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS

Councilor Wilson advised that the Westside Economic Alliance *Insider* newsletter reported that Metro has requested the state legislature consider creating a task force to look at the concept of revenue sharing between jurisdictions that share an urban growth boundary. (SB 626) Council discussed the proposed bill and unanimously expressed the opinion that the bill is a bad idea and, if passed, it would result in loss of local control. It is Tigard's recommendation that the bill be dropped from consideration and the idea of forming a revenue sharing task force be discontinued. Mayor Griffith will sign a letter to the bill's sponsor, Senator Ryan Deckert, expressing Tigard's concerns.


11. NON AGENDA ITEMS: None

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Not held.

13. ADJOURNMENT: 8:43 p.m.


Catherine Wheatley, City Recorder

Attest:



Mayor, City of Tigard
Date: May 13, 2003

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